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Title: *Storyteller* — Modular Passive Aroma Pipe for Personal Scent Experiences and Microdosing

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Abstract

Storyteller is a non-electric, fire-powered aroma pipe that recreates the ritual and tactile satisfaction of traditional pipe smoking—without health risks. Designed for passive nasal inhalation, it allows users to enjoy the effects of natural botanicals (e.g., blue lotus, tobacco, cannabis) and complex aromatic profiles through modular, stackable incense rings. *Storyteller* supports multiple use cases including aromatherapy, microdosing, smoking cessation, and "scent storytelling," and can be used either handheld or stably placed on the ground.

Technical Field

This invention lies at the intersection of **aromatherapy**, **olfactory interaction design**, **microdosing**, and **behavioral ritual tools**. It is especially relevant to wellness products, scent delivery systems, and sensory enhancement devices.

Background

Conventional aroma products such as incense sticks, cones, and diffusers are designed to scent a room—not for direct, personal olfactory interaction. Meanwhile, electronic vaporizers prioritize chemical delivery to the lungs, introduce complexity, and often rely on synthetic components or nicotine-based systems.

There is no existing device that:

- Uses **fire and natural materials** to provide **pipe-like aroma engagement**;
- Enables **personal, ritualistic scent enjoyment through nasal exposure**;
- Allows for **modular layering and storytelling of aromas**;
- Doubles as both a **handheld ritual object** and a **stationary incense sculpture**.

The *Storyteller* solves this by offering a passive, elegant, and modular experience designed for **safe ritual inhalation**, **aroma play**, and **smoking behavior replacement**.

Summary of the Invention

The *Storyteller* comprises:

- A **flat-bottom ceramic bowl**, shaped cylindrically, with **vertical ventilation slots** extending from the sidewalls down to the base.

- A **short, lightweight stem or handle** made of heat-resistant plastic, wood, or similar material, **ergonomically shaped** for resting near the mouth or under the nose — **without airflow** inside.

- A **modular incense cartridge system**, where **donut-shaped aromatic rings** (with a central hole) are stacked inside the bowl and rest snugly without protruding.

- The device is used **without suction** — the user simply places it near the nose and experiences **passive scent inhalation** as the cone or ring burns.

Key Features & Use Cases

1. Microdosing Through Passive Inhalation

The device enables **gentle exposure to aromatic plant compounds** (e.g., blue lotus, mapacho, cannabis, mugwort) to achieve calming, creative, or euphoric effects — **without lung inhalation** or combustion of harsh materials.

2. Modular Aromatherapy

Aromatic rings can be custom-composed or pre-designed to deliver **layered therapeutic effects**, including:

- Stress relief

- Focus enhancement

- Sleep support

- Mood regulation

3. Smoking Cessation Tool

The act of lighting, holding, and ritualistically smelling the *Storyteller* provides a **behavioral replacement** for pipe or cigarette smoking, without harmful intake. This aids in addiction recovery by preserving the **ritual** while removing the **chemical dependency**.

4. Scent Music and Storytelling

Donut-shaped incense cartridges can be **stacked in custom sequences** to create **a multi-phase aromatic experience**, akin to scent-based “music” or “chapters” in a story:

- Awakening → Meditation → Grounding
- Joy → Reflection → Closure
- Floral → Herbal → Resinous

Advanced versions of the cartridges may be **3D-printed** or precision-molded to control burn rate and aromatic transitions.

5. User Personalization & Modularity

Instead of a single solid cartridge, users can mix and match **individual scent rings** to build their own stack. This creates an ecosystem of **collectible scent pieces** and expands the expressive potential of the device.

6. Ground-Stable Personal Incense

Thanks to its **flat ceramic base**, *Storyteller* can also sit upright during seated practices like **meditation**, **yoga**, or **reading**, allowing **smoke to rise gently toward the user** without the need to hold it.

Advantages

- 🔥 **Fire-powered**, not electric — captures the emotional resonance of pipe rituals.
- 🌬️ **Passive scent delivery**, with no inhalation of toxins or combustion byproducts.
- 🧱 **Stackable design** encourages personalization and modular aroma expression.
- 🌿 **Botanical compatibility** enables both psychoactive and aromatic uses.

- 🧘 **Supports meditative and therapeutic practices** via olfactory modulation.
- 💡 **Safe, simple, and aesthetically beautiful** — suitable for wellness, art, and ritual.

Claims (Preliminary Summary)

1. A passive scent delivery device comprising a ceramic base with vertical ventilation slots and a detachable solid stem.

2. A modular cartridge system consisting of donut-shaped incense rings designed to fit snugly within the bowl and allow stacked use.

3. A configuration for ground-stable and handheld operation for direct nasal olfactory engagement.

4. A behavioral replacement for smoking rituals through non-toxic aroma exposure.

5. A method for composing multi-phase aromatic experiences via user-arranged cartridge sequences (“scent music”).